

## NOTES ON EDUCATION.

Harvard's library has now 200,000 volumes; Yale, 160,000.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has 233 students this year.

The sum of \$810,550 54, school money, has just been apportioned to the counties of Indiana.

Prof. W. L. Welch of Union has accepted his call to Auburn Theological Seminary, and his chair will be filled by Prof. L'Amoreux.

Every woman who lately offered herself as candidate for election to the London School Board has been triumphantly returned.

The quarterly distribution of the Maryland school fund just made gave a total sum of \$104,653 10 to the white schools and \$24,000 to the colored schools.

The Rev. Dr. Patton of Chicago and the Rev. Dr. Speer of Brooklyn advocate the abolition of all devotional exercises in public schools as contrary to justice, policy, and law.

Newton Theological Institute has 64 students. Tufts College has 120, and the standards for admission to the academic course have been raised in the Greek and Latin departments.

The State Teachers' Association of Iowa has formally resolved that political science should be taught in the public schools. A woman has been elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

The number of public schools in California is 2,260. These were attended during the past year by the approximate number of 184,778 pupils. The money for support of schools given by the State was \$236,277 36.

An effort is making in the Amherst Faculty to have the studies for the entire Junior year made optional, with the exception of physics. The Juniors have elective studies for this term. The sophomores are using a French mathematical text book. Prof. Crowell has been chosen by the Faculty as representative of the college at the meeting of the Western Alumni Association at Chicago.

The regents of Michigan University wish the Legislature to make some provision for the School of Mines, and ask for \$2,500 a year for the purchase of books for the general library, \$8,000 a year for support of the dental school, and for several additional buildings. Edward J. Walker, who has been assistant professor of Latin in the university since 1868, has just been awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy by the Leipsic University.

Gov. Robinson says that the schools of this State cost too much. It is a short-sighted economy that begins with retrenchment in educational expenses. The Albany Express says: "There are more than a million pupils in the public schools of the State, and the average amount expended for their education is but little more than \$10. If they depended upon private schools the cost would be much greater, and it is doubtful whether the results would be as satisfactory."

Of teachers' salaries the San Francisco Post says: "Experience, tact, knowledge, and facility of imparting instruction cannot be expected in any high degree without adequate pecuniary return. When some ignorant bungler can earn more wages in the shop, or some slumbering girl command more generous remuneration as a boy's maid than even teachers of established reputation often receive, it is not too much to expect that the demand for the American Kindergarten system at the last session of Congress.

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